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ATLANTIC SEA SCALLOP FISHERY **ALL SCALLOP VESSELS**

Compliance Guide for Landing and Possessing In-Shell Scallops

The attached handout describes scallop possession limits under the Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery Management Plan to help captains and dealers when possessing and landing in-shell scallops (shellstock). The handout includes meat weight and in-shell limits and examples of how to measure what vessels have onboard and at time of landing. Please read the handout carefully and distribute it to your vessel operators. The provided examples are based on baskets and fish totes commonly used in the fishery, but it is your and your vessel crew's responsibility to know the volume of the containers you are using and to ensure that you do not exceed the possession limits.

The handout is not a substitute for the regulations. We encourage you to review the full text of the regulations available at: <http://www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov>.

If you would like to learn more about these and other measures or details about recent actions, we have posted additional information on our website at:
<http://www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/sustainable/species/scallop>.

For any questions please contact the Sustainable Fisheries Division at (978) 281-9315 or the Office of Law Enforcement at (978) 281-9213.

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